

NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Moore Business Forms Site 1415 Emerald Road, Greenwood, South Carolina

DHEC (the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control) is accepting public comments on a proposed Voluntary Cleanup Contract through June 25, 2013.

The Voluntary Cleanup Contract, 13-5678-NRP, will affect approximately 64.32 acres identified by Tax Map Serial Number 6877-109-21 (35.66 acres, Northern Tract) and TMS 6876-183-935 (28.66 acres, Southern Tract). A North Carolina bank, Park Sterling Bank, will acquire the Property through foreclosure. This Voluntary Cleanup Contract will be between DHEC and Park Sterling Bank (Park Sterling).

From 1965 until 2003, Moore Business Forms (Moore) conducted a printing process on the property. Moore was identified as a small quantity generator of hazardous waste. Moore's operations included film developing units, a silver recovery system, oil storage, and maintenance shop, a carbon melting room, a welding area, and a press area. The Emerald Road Project, LLC (ERP) acquired the Southern Tract in 2005 and the Northern Tract in 2008. ERP allowed Tech-Wood USA, LLC, a manufacturer of wood polymer composite products, to operate on the Property from 2006 until 2011.

The Property is located within an industrial area. Park Sterling intends to market the Property at the earliest commercially reasonable opportunity for commercial / industrial redevelopment. If this Voluntary Cleanup Contract is implemented, Park Sterling will acquire the property as a "Brownfields Site" because of the potential for environmental pollution. Park Sterling did not create the pollution, but will take steps to control it to keep the property safe for re-use.

DHEC will not hold Park Sterling responsible for the pre-existing pollution in exchange for doing work under the Voluntary Cleanup Contract. Under State law, Park Sterling will not be responsible if anyone is affected by the contamination. Entering into this contract does not reduce the responsibility of any former owners or operators of the site.

Under the proposed contract, Park Sterling will test soil and groundwater from the Property. If significant contamination is found, Park Sterling will be required to take additional steps to protect human health and the environment.

DHEC uses Voluntary Cleanup Contracts to keep Brownfield sites in productive reuse. The proposed contract is available at http://www.scdhec.gov/environment/lwm/publicnotice.htm . Printed copies may be obtained from the DHEC Freedom of Information Office at (803) 898-3882.

The public may provide written, email, or telephone comments on the proposed contract through June 25, 2013. Questions or comments may be directed to Jo Cherie Overcash, Project Manager, email OvercaJC@dhec.sc.gov, telephone (803) 896-4019 or Alex Fulmer, email FulmerWA@dhec.sc.gov or TOLL-FREE telephone (866) 576-3432. Written comments should be directed to either individual at SCDHEC, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201.